

Delta Independent Science Board Vacancy

The [Delta Stewardship Council](#) is seeking a world class scientist with expertise in the areas of estuarine ecology to fill one vacancy on the [Delta Independent Science Board](#) (Delta ISB). The role of the Delta ISB is to provide oversight of the scientific research, monitoring, and assessment programs that support adaptive management of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

Background: In November 2009, the California Legislature passed a landmark five-bill water package to address California water issues. One of the bills (SBX7 1, the Delta Reform Act) created the Delta Stewardship Council as an independent state agency tasked with developing the Delta Plan for achieving the coequal goals of providing a more reliable water supply for California and protecting, enhancing, and restoring the California Delta ecosystem.

The Legislation also created a 10-member Delta Independent Science Board tasked with reviewing all Delta scientific research, monitoring, and assessment programs at least once every four years with critical reviews of action items likely occurring more frequently. The first meeting of the Delta ISB occurred September 2010 and subsequently 2-day meetings in Sacramento have been convened about six times a year.

The term of office for Delta ISB members is for a period of five years. A member may serve no more than two terms. For more information about current Delta ISB members, past meetings, and products, [click here](#).

Qualifications: In order to be considered for nomination by the Delta Lead Scientist and appointment by the Delta Stewardship Council, candidates must meet these two qualifications listed in the Delta Reform Act:

- 1) Be a nationally or internationally prominent scientist/engineer with appropriate expertise to evaluate the broad range of scientific programs that support adaptive management of the Delta.
- 2) Not be directly affiliated with a program or agency subject to the review activities of the Delta Independent Science Board.

The Council is seeking a world class scientist with expertise in the areas of estuarine ecology. Experience in evaluating the effects of restoration or water operations on estuarine ecology, particularly at the landscape scale is desirable.

How to Apply: If you wish to nominate a candidate or are interested in applying for the Delta ISB and you meet the required legal qualifications, please send a letter of interest along with your CV and a list of five references (including name, title, email and telephone number). The position is open until filled with consideration of candidates starting on Feb. 15, 2015.

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